

March 2008

Construction Detour

Purpose

ADOT has set up a temporary bridge over the southbound SR 51 lanes near Union Hills Drive. This bridge will deliver concrete to trucks in the median via a conveyor-belt system. The bridge is designed with a safe, watertight base to prevent spillage of any material.

Closure Tuesday I a.m. to 5 a.m. **April I, 2008**

Southbound SR 51 will be closed between Loop 101 and Bell Road Southbound SR 51 on-ramp at Union Hills Drive is also scheduled to be closed at this time.

Detour Recommended (see graphic for details)

Drivers normally using Loop 101 ramps to southbound SR 51 should use southbound Cave Creek Road or Tatum Boulevard to Bell Road as detour routes around this closure.

Project Summary

- One new HOV lane in each direction are being added to SR 51 from Shea Blvd up and on to Loop 101 to Tatum Blvd.
- New HOV ramp connection between SR 51 and Loop 101.
- Concrete barrier will separate northbound and southbound traffic
- Rubberized asphalt will be used to reduce noise.
- The project length is approximately eight miles.
- The temporary bridge will aid in fewer delays to traffic and enhance safety by significantly reducing concrete delivery truck traffic on the freeway.

Project Schedule

With the completion of the project anticipated in late 2008, the bridge will be in place for approximately six months. ADOT is working to ensure minimum disturbance to the public and is striving to offset inconvenience to the traveling public by working during off-peak hours.

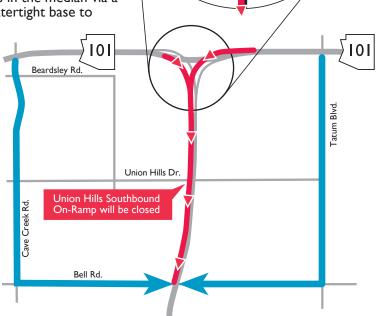
Contact

Updated information is available on the project Web Site at www.azdot.gov/ValleyFreeways/. Comments or questions may be directed to the project hotline at (602) 235-2868 or by e-mail to eastvalleyprojects@cox.net.

Para información en español acerca del proyecto las 24 horas del dia Marque el numero (602) 235-2868.



Our Valley Freeway System is part of the 2004 voter-approved Regional Transportation Plan. We are working with our transit partners to implement the voters' vision and are committed to quality, safety, open communication with our neighbors, and minimal inconvenience to the traveling public.



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Shea Blvd

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